

South Dakota Department of Agriculture

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT RULES

A public hearing will be held at the Mathews Training Center, Foss Building, 523 East Capitol Ave, Pierre, SD on December 1, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., to consider the adoption of proposed rule numbered

12:79

The effect of the proposed rule will be to make changes to improve the South Dakota Certified Beef Program by changing definition of Verifiable Address, updating Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) reference, and changing Enrollment criteria.

The reason for adopting the proposed rule is to enhance the program by clarifying definitions and to make enrollments more efficient for the producers.

Persons interested in presenting data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may do so by appearing in person at the hearing or by sending written materials to the SD Department of Agriculture, 523 East Capitol, Foss Building, Pierre, South Dakota 57501. Material sent by mail must reach the South Dakota Department of Agriculture by November 28, 2011 to be considered.

After the hearing, the SD Department of Agriculture will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The Secretary may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the SD Department of Agriculture at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-5436.

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from the  
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Foss Building  
523 East Capitol  
Pierre, SD 57501